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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant: Kazuhisa HAYAKAWA  
Title: FILM SHEET FOR USE WITH  
OVERHEAD PROJECTORS  
Appl. No.: 09/769,509  
Appl. Filing Date: 01/26/2001  
Examiner: B. Shewareged  
Art Unit: 1774

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**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)**  
**TRANSMITTAL**

Commissioner for Patents  
Box RCE  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application. This RCE and the enclosed items listed below are being filed prior to the earliest of: (1) payment of the issue fee (unless a petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.313 is granted); (2) abandonment of the application; or (3) the filing of a notice of appeal to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit under 35 U.S.C. §141, or the commencement of a civil action under 35 U.S.C. §145 or §146 (unless the appeal or civil action is terminated).

1. **Submission required under 37 C.F.R. §1.114:** (check items that apply)

a. Previously submitted:

Please enter and consider the amendment/reply previously filed on \_\_\_\_.  
 Please consider the Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s) previously filed on \_\_\_\_ but not considered.  
 Please consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on \_\_\_\_.  
 Other \_\_\_\_.

b. Enclosed are:

Amendment/Reply (4 pp)

- Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s).**
- Information Disclosure Statement.**
- Form PTO-1449 with copies of    listed reference(s).**
- Other .**

**Miscellaneous:**

- Suspension of action of the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of    months.**

The filing fee is calculated below:

| Claims<br>as<br>Amended                              | Previously<br>Paid For | Extra<br>Claims<br>Present | Rate                           | Fee Totals          |
|--|------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------|
| RCE Fee<br>1.17(e)                                   |                        |                            | \$750.00                       | \$750.00            |
| Total Claims: <u>  19  </u>                          | <u>  20  </u>          | <u>  0  </u>               | <u>  \$18.00  </u>             | <u>  \$0.00  </u>   |
| Independents: <u>  2  </u>                           | <u>  3  </u>           | <u>  0  </u>               | <u>  \$84.00  </u>             | <u>  \$0.00  </u>   |
| First presentation of any Multiple Dependent Claims: |                        |                            | <u>  +\$280.00  </u>           | <u>  \$0.00  </u>   |
|  |                        |                            | CLAIMS FEE TOTAL: <u>  =  </u> | <u>  \$750.00  </u> |

[ ] Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a)  
for the total number of months checked below:

|   |            |          |
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| [ ] Extension for response filed within the first month:      | \$110.00   | \$0.00   |
| [ ] Extension for response filed within the second month:     | \$410.00   | \$0.00   |
| [ ] Extension for response filed within the third month:      | \$930.00   | \$0.00   |
| [ ] Extension for response filed within the fourth month:     | \$1,450.00 | \$0.00   |
| [ ] Extension for response filed within the fifth month:      | \$1,970.00 | \$0.00   |
| EXTENSION FEE TOTAL:  |            | \$0.00   |
| CLAIMS AND EXTENSION FEE TOTAL:                               |            | \$750.00 |
| [ ] Small Entity Fees Apply (subtract ½ of above):            |            | \$0.00   |
| [ ] Suspension of action requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) |            | \$0.00   |
| TOTAL FEE:  |            | \$750.00 |

[ X ] A check in the amount of \$750.00 to cover the filing fee is enclosed.

[ X ] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by a check being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

Please direct all correspondence to the undersigned attorney or agent at the address indicated below.

Respectfully submitted,

By 

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AMENDMENT ACCOMPANYING RCE

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Sir:

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

In the claims:

In accordance with 37 CFR § 1.121, please substitute for original claims 1, 18 and 19, for the following rewritten versions of the same claim, as amended. The changes are shown explicitly in the attached "Marked Up Version Showing Changes Made."

*b1*  
1. (Twice Amended) A film sheet for use with overhead projectors comprising a cellulose ether without intervention of a layer receptive to a jet printing ink.

*b2*  
18. (Amended) The overhead projector transparency medium of claim 17, wherein the transparency medium consists of one layer, the one layer being the same layer as the transparency film sheet.

19. (Amended) The overhead projector transparency medium of claim 17, wherein said cellulose ether is a cellulose ether that when placed in 2 ml of an aqueous solution obtained by mixing 0.1 part by weight of the cellulose ether with 99.9 parts by weight of